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# H. R. 5421

To amend the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 to provide research and extension grants to combat plant pests and noxious weeds that impact coffee plants, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KAHELE (for himself, Mr. CASE, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. SAN NICOLAS, Mr. SABLÁN, and Mrs. RADEWAGEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-  
2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Coffee Plant Health  
5 Initiative Amendments Act”.

1     **SEC. 2. COFFEE PLANT HEALTH INITIATIVE.**

2         (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1672(d) of the Food, Ag-  
3     riculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C.  
4     5925(d)) is amended by striking paragraph (9) and insert-  
5     ing the following:

6             “(9) COFFEE PLANT HEALTH INITIATIVE.—

7                 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Research and exten-  
8     sion grants may be made under this section for  
9     the purposes of—

10                 “(i) developing and disseminating  
11     science-based tools and treatments to com-  
12     bat plant pests and noxious weeds that im-  
13     pact coffee plants;

14                 “(ii) establishing an areawide inte-  
15     grated pest management program in areas  
16     affected by, or areas at risk of being af-  
17     fected by, plant pests or noxious weeds  
18     that impact coffee plants;

19                 “(iii) surveying and collecting data on  
20     coffee plant production and health;

21                 “(iv) investigating coffee plant biol-  
22     ogy, immunology, ecology, genomics, and  
23     bioinformatics; and

24                 “(v) conducting research on—

1                         “(I) factors that may contribute  
2                         to or be associated with coffee plant  
3                         immune systems;

4                         “(II) other serious threats to cof-  
5                         fee plants, including the sublethal ef-  
6                         fects of insecticides, herbicides, and  
7                         fungicides on insects and plants bene-  
8                         ficial to coffee plant growth; and

9                         “(III) the development of miti-  
10                         gating and preventative measures to  
11                         improve habitat conservation and best  
12                         management practices in coffee-grow-  
13                         ing regions.

14                         “(B) DEFINITION OF NOXIOUS WEED;  
15                         PLANT PEST.—In this paragraph, the terms  
16                         ‘noxious weed’ and ‘plant pest’ have the mean-  
17                         nings given those terms in section 403 of the  
18                         Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7702).”.

19                         (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section  
20 1672(h) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and  
21 Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 5925(h)) is amended by  
22 striking “2023” and inserting “2033”.

